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The Hudson's Bay Company is the principal commercial enterprise in the Northwest Territories operating trading posts and a small fleet of boats to carry supplies to the various posts. The posts in Arctic areas of the Northwest Territories are listed in Appendix "E".

The following officers are prominent in the Administration of the Northwest Territories:

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R.G.Stevens, Director, Northern Administration and Lands Branch.

R.A.J.Phillips, Chief, Arctic Division, Northern Administration and Lands Branch.

A.B. Connelly, Chief, Mining and Lands Division, Northern Administration and Lands Branch.

J.V.Jacobson, Chief, Educational Division, N.A.L.B.

A.B. Bradley, Chief, Works Research and Planning Division, N.A.L.B.

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APPENDIX "A"

HOSPITALS IN THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

SETTLEMENT	OPERATED BY
Aklavik	Anglican Mission Hospital
	R.C.Mission Hospital
Chesterfield Inlet	" " "
Fort Rae	" "" "
Fort Resolution	" " "
Fort Simpson	" " "
Fort Smith	" " "
Norman Wells	Imperial Oil Co. Hospital
Pangnirtung	Anglican Mission Hospital
Port Radium	Eldorado Mining & Refining Co.Hospital
Yellowknife	Community Hospital

NURSING STATIONS

Aklavik	National Health & Welfare
Cambridge Bay	" " "
Baker Lake	" " "
Cape Dorset	" " "
Coppermine	" " "
Coral Harbour	" " "
Fort Chimo, P.Q.	" " "
Fort Good Hope	" " "
Fort MacPherson	" " "
Fort Norman	" " "

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NURSING STATIONS (CONT'D)

SETTLEMENT	OPERATED BY
Frobisher Bay	National Health and Welfare
Hay River	Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada Anglican Mission
Lake Harbour	National Health and Welfare
Port Harrison, P.Q.	" " "
Tuktoyaktuk	" " "

APPENDIX "B"

LIST OF FIELD OFFICERS

(This list is always subject to change as Field Officers are transferred. There are usually some Northern Service officers taking training in Ottawa, while others may be assigned to Headquarters for special duties).

J. J. Bond,
Cambridge Bay, N.W.T.
via Edmonton, Alta.

W.A. Edwards,
in Ottawa.

O.W.P. Farley,
Frobisher Bay, N.W.T.

A.F. Flucke,
Sugluk, Que.

R.J. Green,
Superintendent, Rehabilitation Centre,
Frobisher Bay, N.W.T.

P.B. Gorlick,
Welfare Officer,
Aklavik, N.W.T.

J.A. Houston,
Cape Dorset, N,W.T.

R.L. Kennedy,
Box 99, Churchill, Man.

J.G. Walton,
Great Whale River, Que.

F.R. Langin,
Community Development Officer,
Inuvik, N.W.T.

F.J. Neville,
in Ottawa.

E.J. Saunders,
Tuktoyaktuk, N.W.T.

R.A. Hodgkinson,
Fort Chimo, P.Q.

D.E. Wilkinson,,
Baker Lake, N.W.T.

W.G. Kerr,
Rankin Inlet, N.W.T.

C.R.Franzin,
Tuktoyaktuk, N.W.T.

T.D. Stewart,
Acting Administrator,
Frobisher Bay, N.W.T.

D.W. Grant,
in Ottawa.

T.G. Douglas,
Supt., Reindeer Station,
via Aklavik, N.W.T.

W.J. Berry,
in Ottawa.

APPENDIX "C"

SCHOOLS ADMINISTERED OR SUPERVISED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NORTHERN AFFAIRS AND NATIONAL RESOURCES (THESE INCLUDE FEDERAL, HOSPITAL, RESIDENTIAL, MINE AND MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS IN THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES AND ALONG THE COAST OF NORTHERN QUEBEC)

Federal Schools

Aklavik
Inuvik
Arctic Red River
Cambridge Bay
Coppermine
Fort Franklin
Fort Good Hope
Fort Liard
Fort McPherson
Fort Norman
Fort Rae
Fort Resolution
Fort Simpson
Fort Smith
Fort Wrigley
Hay River
Jean Marie River
Lac la Martre Indian
Reindeer Station
Rocher River
Tuktoyaktuk
Yellowknife High School & Vocational School
Rayrock
Baker Lake
Cape Dorset
Chesterfield Inlet
Coral Harbour
Fort Chimo, P.Q.
Frobisher Bay
Great Whale River, P.Q.
Pangnirtung
Port Harrison, P.Q.
Sugluk, P.Q.
Spence Bay
Igloolik
Eskimo Point
Clyde River
Payne Bay
Povungnetuk

Hospital Schools

Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic, Aklavik
All Saints' Anglican, Aklavik
Feraud's Roman Catholic, Fort Rae
St. Joseph's Roman Catholic, Fort Resolution
St. Margaret's Roman Catholic, Fort Simpson
St. Anne's Hospital, Fort Smith

Residential Schools

Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic
All saints' Anglican, Aklavik
Sacred Heart Roman Catholic, Fort Providence

Mine Schools

Discovery Yellowknife
Norman Wells
Port Radium
Rankin Inlet

Municipal Schools

Yellowknife (Public)
Yellowknife (Separate)

APPENDIX "D"

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE DETACHMENTS
IN THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

SETTLEMENT

Aklavik

Aklavik Sub-Division

Alexandra Fjord, Ellesmere Island

Arctic Red River

Baker Lake

Cambridge Bay

Cape Parry

Cape Christian, Baffin Island

Chesterfield Inlet

Coppermine

Craig Harbour, Ellesmere Island

Inuvik

Eskimo Point

Fort Chimo

Fort Macpherson

Fort Norman

Fort Providence

Fort Smith

Frobisher Bay, Baffin Island

Good Hope

Great Whale River

Grise Fiord

Hay River

Herschel Island

Lake Harbour, Baffin Island

Liard

Norman Wells

Pangnirtung, Baffin Island

Pond Inlet, Baffin Island

Port Harrison

Port Radium

Rae

Reliance

Resolute Bay,Cornwallis Island

Resolution

Simpson

Spence Bay

Sachs Harbour

Tuktoyaktuk

Yellowknife

APPENDIX "E"

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY POSTS

SETTLEMENT

Aklavik

Arctic Bay, Baffin Island

Baker Lake

Bathurst Inlet

Cambridge Bay

Cape Dorset, Baffin Island

Churchill

Chesterfield

Clyde River, Baffin Island

Coppermine

Coral Harbour

Eskimo Point

Fort Chimo, P.Q.

Fort George

Frobisher Bay, Baffin Island

Gjoa Haven

Great Whale River, P.Q.

Holman Island, off Victoria Island

Igloolik, Fury & Hecla Strait

Lake Harbour, Baffin Island

Letty Harbour (Outpost)

Pangnirtung, Baffin Island

Payne Bay

Perry River (Outpost)

Pond Inlet, Baffin Island

Port Harrison

Povungnetuk

Port Harrison

Reid Island

Reindeer Station, Western Arctic

Repulse Bay

Spence Bay

Southampton Island

Sugluk

Tuktoyaktuk

Rankin Inlet

APPENDIX "M"

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY POSTS

SASKATCHEWAN	
Akiavik	Pangnirtung, Baffin Island
Arctic Bay, Baffin Island	Payne Bay
Baker Lake	Perry River (Outpost)
Bathurst Inlet	Pond Inlet, Baffin Island
Cambridge Bay	Port Harrison
Cape Dorset, Baffin Island	Povungnetuk
Churchill	Port Harrison
Chesterfield	Reid Island
Clyde River, Baffin Island	Reindeer Station, Western Arctic
Coppermine	Repulse Bay
Coral Harbour	Spence Bay
Eskimo Point	Southampton Island
Fort Chimo, P.Q.	Sugluk
Fort George	Tuktoyaktuk
Frobisher Bay, Baffin Island	Rankin Inlet
Gjoa Haven	
Great Whale River, P.Q.	
Holman Island, off Victoria Island	
Igloolik, Foxe & Hoole Straits	
Lake Harbour, Baffin Island	
Lady Harbour (Outpost)	

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